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FARM NOTES.

It is rumored that next month the French Government will call for bids on 4,000,000 kilos Kentucky, equal to about 6,000 hds.

Farmers are now as busy as bees in a hive preparing for the planting of a crop of tobacco which is to redeem the past failures. Plants are abundant and well advanced.—Clarksville Democrat.

So destructive have the cutworms become in some section of the country that farmers are plowing up their clover fields are planting them in corn. Wheat is said to be looking very badly owing to the excessive dry weather that we have been having recently.—Cadic's Democrat.

Reports from Union county say that the tobacco crop promises fair, with an acreage contemplated considerably above that of any in the last ten years. The beds are doing very well, and with good seasons from this time, we will raise a large tobacco crop. Some fields of wheat are looking fine, but in the main, the crop is late and not good.

The Government crop report gives the estimates of the general condition of the winter wheat at 73, against 86 last year, and against 82 last month. The condition is said to be lowest in the heaviest wheat-raising States. Ohio, Michigan, Illinois and Indiana have an average condition for the four States of only 59. The report is even worse than predicted, and has caused quite a bulge in the wheat market.

The Florida Tobacco Producing and Trading Company, writes the Quincy Herald, has under consideration one of the greatest schemes ever thought of on any Tobacco plantation in this country, and that is preparing plants at night to be set out the next day. The lights have already arrived for this stupendous undertaking, and it will not be long before our people will have an opportunity of seeing gangs of men working at night under the glare of three dozen calcium lights. The men will be divided into night and day gangs, so those working at night will be relieved the next morning and can sleep during the day.

The tobacco bureau of Italy have informed their government that their necessities require a purchase of 17,000 hds. for 1888, in addition to the deficiencies on their last contract, which deficiency may range from 5,000 to 10,000 hds., depending greatly upon the rejections of the late contractor, which will be very large, owing to the quantity of chill tobacco mixed in with their '87 deliveries. Tobacco is now being bought, and has been for the past two weeks in the Italian and Mayfield, by agents of a well known New York house who are entirely unaware that their purchases are intended for the Italian government, and paid for by their Consul General at New York.

This purchase is not for a contract, but for account of the Italian government, who enters the market like any other buyer and pays just what they are made to pay. As the crop does not afford enough Italian tobacco to furnish the supply needed, this class of tobacco will advance from 2c. to 5c. per pound as soon as the situation is thoroughly realized. The Italian government seems greatly dissatisfied with the contractor at their last year's delay in delivering, when tobacco was so much needed in all their factories. They have thrown the whole contract overboard, and will in future, like Austria, buy for their own account. We welcome this news, as we are in a market which will be worth millions to our planters. Italy is obliged to have the tobacco. There is no limit to the price. She will simply pay what she is forced to pay at the auction board like in this way offered gifts to purchasers of their packages by no means unattractive, but not designed for lottery swindling. The latest candidates, both for public execution and criminal prosecution, are the manufacturers of the alum baking powders, who are both, by means of gifts and lottery tickets, disposing of large quantities of their corrosively poisonous compounds, which are so well known to be detrimental to health that no housekeeper will admit them to her kitchen knowingly.

This form of swindle is not only being peddled from house to house, but under the promise of large profits to be realized, the manufacturers are introducing themselves behind the counters of many grocers by getting them to offer the alum goods with the gifts or lottery tickets attached, thereby shifting the liability to prosecution, in part, upon other, and perhaps innocent parties. Every grocer or housekeeper, for instance, who sells or offers for sale any of the prize or lottery baking powders is a criminal in the eyes of the law, and liable, upon conviction, to fine and imprisonment, while those who sell the gift goods are, morally, as responsible for they are offering an inducement, or prize, to housekeepers to use a food that contains a corrosive poison. This is a predicament in which it is not possible our grocers will care to place themselves when they come to think seriously of the matter.

It must be borne in mind that every one of these gift or prize baking powders are alum baking powders. These powders cost less than four cents a pound to produce; the gift or prize costs but a few cents more. They are sold at the price of a first-class baking powder, so that the swindle, in a commercial sense, is enormous. But the chief iniquity of the business consists in selling, as presumably wholesome, an article of a positively injurious character, and by means of gifts or bribes inducing persons or unsuspecting housekeepers to purchase and use it in our daily food.

There should be some prompt method of reaching these dangerous practices and punishing the parties engaged in their promotion. If the present laws are not ample, we commend the matter to the consideration of our State Board of Health, for recommendation of such additional legislation as shall be effective for the protection of the public.

Gifts of Poison.

It is time that respectable merchants combined with consumers for the suppression of all gift, prize and lottery schemes in connection with the sale of articles of merchandise. These schemes are not only demoralizing to legitimate business and to the morals of the community, but in the extent in which they are being carried in the sale of articles of food have become a source of great danger to the public health. They are, no matter, in what form they appear, nothing more or less than devices to swindle honest and unsuspecting people.

It is gratifying to learn that in some instances the officers of the law have taken hold of the matter. In New York, and also in Chicago, parties who in this way offered gifts to purchasers of their packages by no means unattractive, but not designed for lottery swindling. The latest candidates, both for public execution and criminal prosecution, are the manufacturers of the alum baking powders, who are both, by means of gifts and lottery tickets, disposing of large quantities of their corrosively poisonous compounds, which are so well known to be detrimental to health that no housekeeper will admit them to her kitchen knowingly.

—A young lady in Chicago acknowledges that she hankers to marry an Indian chief. That's the kind of a hand-to-chief she is.—Texas Siftings.

—How did you begin life? the young man asked the great man. "I didn't begin it," truthfully replied the great man. "It was here when I got here."

—After church—Sporz—Was it not disgraceful, the way in which Sniffs snored in church to-day?" Stagg.

—I should think it was. Why, he woke us all up.—The Review.

—First Party—Hello, Charley! How are you? Second Party—Oh, I'm enjoying very poor health. How are you? First Party—Well, I'm suffering very good health.—Judge.

—Can I ask you just one more question, papa, if it ain't foolish?" inquired Bobby, who had been badgering the old gentleman all the evening. "Ya's, ya's." "Why is it, papa, that the more a little boy's nose is stopped up the more he talks through it?"

—Italo do Counte—S, you will not be my wife, eh? Do you forget that I am an Italian Count? Young American—"O, no; I do not forget you are an Italian Count, but I do know that I was never brought up to make a dozen shirts for thirty cents and do the washing for a large family."—Judge.

—Citizen—You look thoughtful, Uncle Rastus." Uncle Rastus—"Yes, sir. I'st got some financial' business on han'." Youse heord ob dese different trusts, habben' yo?" Citizen—"Yes." Uncle Rastus—"Well, Ise gwine down to de grocer's to ter negotiate fo' er stabbin' ob a cod-fish trust."—N. Y. Star.

—Young Lady (in book store)—"Have you photographs of Mrs. Cleveland?" Clerk—"Yes, ma'am, twenty-five cents." Y. L.—"That's them very cheap. I will take one, if you please." C.—"Will you have one of the Presidents also? only ten cents." Y. L.—"Ten cents! Isn't that very dear?"

—Two Fine Chargers—Mr. Bumpus—"I saw you taking a horseback ride this morning. Your own horse?" Mr. Wumpus—"No; only a livery hack." "He looked like a fine charger." "So I thought until I paid the bill. Then the owner of the stable cash him all in the shade."—Harper's Bazaar.

—No, my son shall not work in a bank. He's a delicate boy and I do not want him to put himself in the way of danger," said a Harlem mother. "But I don't see how bank-work can be considered dangerous," replied the husband. "Aren't bank clerks constantly exposed to drafts?"

—Fair Customer—"I thought you had servants waiting for places." Employment Agent—"Plenty of them, madam, but we do not keep them here in the reception room; they are in the waiting room up stairs." F. C.—"Oh! Well, I keep a boarding house, and I want a dish-washer." E. A.—"Yes, ma'am. George, go up stairs and tell the girls there is a place vacant for a lady renovator of hotel china."—The New York Times.

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—Why I Am a Homeopath.

—By E. Elmer Keefer, M. D., Danbury, Conn.

Hon. Geo. W. Clark, one of the trustees of the New York Homeopathic College, in response to a toast at the annual banquet of the Alumni Association held at Delmonico's April 13th spoke as follows:

"I tell you how it happened years ago that I first employed a homeo-

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FRIDAY, MAY 18, 1888.

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The West Kentucky and West Tennessee Press Association has been organized.

The so called christian science is simply the science of dying without medicine.

Hon. Clifton R. Pratt is spoken of as the Republican candidate for Congress in this district.

With Cleveland, Bill Ellis and Mose West in the field, good citizens ought to feel that the county is safe.

Polk Laffoon is at home on a visit. Look out now for another final decision about the Congressional race.

It will afford a good many good Republicans no little pleasure to wring the neck of the ring next August.

Our friends, the Republican ring, ought to order another section of "blackberry winter" for the first Monday in August.

The only chance for an outsider to go to Congress is for Bill Ellis to die, and they say an office-holder seldom does that and an office-seeker, never.

When we get another railroad you may expect the "busy hum of industry" to take a slide that will paralyze the most elongated trombone in the orchestra of the spheres.

It will be extremely pathetic if with all our schemes we fail to get a railroad. But in case of that dire extremity, we can all fall back and rejoice over Mose West's election for sheriff.

Davies county sent a colored delegate to the Lexington convention Wednesday. Our colored friends are learning that not only their best friends but their best interest are with the Democrats.

The Paducah News can't understand "The insane infatuation of American heiresses over foreign nobility." If the News will just wait till it becomes an American heiress it will see into the matter.

The National Equal Rights convention nominated Belva Lockwood for President at Des Moines, Tuesday. Among the defeated nominees was James G. Blaine. There is no man can say but that Belva has at least set a precedent for this year.

There is no question but that the ring candidates are hump-backed over the situation. They will find that the party lash will not be sufficient to heal the righteous dissensions of the men whose council has been spurned and whose claims for recognition have been disregarded.

The most patriotic act of the year as well as one of the most unselfish, as well as one of the most foolish, was the offer of a deaf mute of Silesia to Dr. McKenzie, the surgeon in charge of Emperor William's case, to sacrifice his larynx if it be possible to transfer it to the throat of the sovereign.

The tariff debate will close Saturday. The Democratic members of the House have thus far sustained the integrity of revenue reform admirably. The Democracy stands firm by the cause of the people, and their attack on the robber tariff this session will go down in history as one of the brilliant charges in the rescue of our republic.

The new school law requires county Superintendents to visit not more than two schools per day and to give notice of his visit three days in advance. This is as it should be. The Superintendent should make his call mean something to the schools, and not a mere "dropping in" for a few minutes to spout a few generalities and say pleasant things to the teacher.

Going West.

The general interest that has been taken in the opening of the Montana Indian Reservations is shown by the large numbers of people who have already gone to Great Falls to investigate the mineral and agricultural resources of that wonderful country. The low excursion rates announced by C. H. Warren, Gen. Pass. Agent of the St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba Railway, makes the expense of exploring this country merely nominal, and will undoubtedly result in a still larger number following.

Delegates at Large.

The Democratic convention at Lexington, Wednesday, instructed for delegates to large at the St. Louis convention for James A. McKenzie, J. A. Hendricks, Henry Watterson, and J. D. Harris; alternates, H. P. Thompson, W. J. Welch, Congressman Breckinridge and ex-Gov. Proctor Knott. A resolution to endorse Commissioner of Pension Black for vice-president was tabled. The platform endorses the Cleveland and Mills bill.

The experts have about wound up their business in the investigation of the Auditor's office. It is found that the books balance to a cent with the Treasurer's books, and that the cash in the Treasury is short \$229,016.13. It is thought that there will be realized some \$75,000 or \$80,000 from Tate's estate and the I. O. U.'s, so that the amount that will have to be made good by his sureties will be about \$150,000.

Rev. E. L. Powell, who is holding a meeting in this city, is pastor of an influential church in Louisville. His church there is the first that has taken the question in hand as to whether or not a liquor dealer should be a church member. Sunday three names were dropped from the list of members, and the pastor made the following explanation of the church's action: "The session in this connection desires to make it known that they do not believe in the sale or use of intoxicants. They moreover do not think that man can consistently with the teachings of the Bible and of Christianity, participate in the liquor traffic." Two of the gentlemen dismissed have responded in cards that are rather salty.

A WORD ABOUT RAILROADS.

It seems to be generally admitted that Hopkinsville needs another railroad. The question is and has been for several years, which one? We desire to say that we are duly appreciative of the immense advantages to be derived from another trunk line, giving us competitive rates and all that. We are aware of the fact that several gentlemen have been trying to work this kind of scheme and they have been duly applauded for their labors. But it does seem to us that by this time the people should be permitted to consider some definite position looking towards the attainment of our anticipations.

At this juncture the L. & N. comes in with an offer. We do not say, we have never said, that it is the best thing that can be done for our city, but it is the only real proposition before us. Unless these other gentlemen can specify what they intend to do, then, when the L. & N. offer comes up, let us vote for or against it on its merits and not lug into the contest the visions which all of us at times have entertained. There must come a deciding point to the present condition of things. The position of KENTUCKIAN is, that unless a better offer is made, let us join in and build the Cadiz extension. We are not opposed to another enterprise; but we do not wish any other scheme, unless it is a definite proposition sufficient in amount to secure the right of way and to prepare the roadbed for track laying, i.e., grade the road, construct bridges, culverts &c., the Louisville & Nashville R. R. Co. will furnish cross ties, rails, splices, &c., the rails to be of new steel of not less than 36 pounds per weight per yard, and will construct the necessary station houses, water tanks and section houses at cost, and will accept in payment thereof cash or the first mortgage bonds of the railroad company bearing 7% interest, to the extent of \$5000 per mile, capital stock at par, the intention being to give your company the option to dispose of part or all of said bonds to other parties at not less than par and pay the L. & N. R. R. Co. in cash in lieu of said bonds: the Louisville & Nashville R. R. Co. to lease to the proposed railroad for a term of years, agreeing to furnish rolling stock and operate the road upon practical terms, terms that it has for a number of years past leased and operated the Elkhorn & Guthrie, which will in effect be furnishing the rolling stock free of rent and giving your company the net earnings derived from the operation of the road. The road to be operated under the lease in accordance with the wishes of your board of directors; the rates for the transportation of both passengers and freight between points on said road to be fixed by said board of directors; the Louisville & Nashville R. R. Co. to join the proposed railroad company in making rates between points on its Clarksville & Princeton Div. and Hopkinsville for the transportation of property of the same as those that it may at the same time be receiving for the transportation of like kind of property for similar distances between points on said Clarksville & Princeton Div. and Clarksville, and to agree for a division of the revenue derived from such transportation upon an equitable basis. I would suggest that the revenue derived from the transportation of property be divided as follows:

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CHICAGO AND GULF EXPLANATION.

SOUTH KENTUCKIAN:

The President of our Chicago Railroad was necessarily called away from his office for a few days and could not get our communication in time, as we were informed by the Secretary of the Company, to make a statement for publication in your paper this week.

I wish you to state that we are in the ring, and in the near future will make the citizens of Union, Webster, Hopkins and Christian counties, a definite proposition to build them the Kentucky division of what is known as the Chicago & Gulf system of Railroads, which will furnish the needed competition for our business community.

We have lately obtained from our Legislature all the authority essential, and in a very short time will be able to give the public in the counties above mentioned an opportunity to become interested in the building and operation of one of the greatest North and South Railroads, which will connect the lakes and gulf on the shortest practical line that can be built, and which will be pledged to give our portion of this state all the facilities for traffic which will allow the use of enterprise and capital in developing our many and varied natural resources, in coal, iron, lumber, stone, etc., and in the manufacture of other products and mining privileges and real property of all kinds in the state of Kentucky.

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The L. & N. Proposition.

In order that we may be scrupulously exact and conform to the high standard of precision which a few people erect, we publish the L. & N. proposition verbatim, as it came from the pen of Vice-President Smith. This is the first time the exact proposition has appeared in print, and it may be further modified or amended before our people are called upon to adjudicate the matter at the polls.

LOUISVILLE, KY., May 12.
HON. JOHN FELAND,

HOPKINSVILLE, KY.

Dear Sirs:—Please refer to the interview between yourself, Hon. Hunton Wood and myself this morning, relative to the proposed construction of a railroad from Hopkinsville, Ky. to Cadiz.

In compliance with my promise, I

on the part of the Louisville & Nash-

ville R. R. Co., subject to the app-

roval of its board of directors, make

the following proposition: If the

citizens of Hopkinsville or other par-

ties will secure a charter

authorizing the construction of a

railroad between Hopkinsville and

Cadiz, and will subscribe

to the capital stock of said railroad

company sufficient in amount to se-

cure the right of way and to prepare

the roadbed for track laying, i.e.,

grade the road, construct bridges,

culverts &c., the Louisville &

Nashville R. R. Co. will furnish

cross ties, rails, splices, &c., the rails

to be of new steel of not less than

36 pounds per yard, and will con-

struct the necessary station houses,

water tanks and section houses at

cost, and will accept in payment

thereof cash or the first mortgage

bonds of the railroad company

bearing 7% interest, to the extent

of \$5000 per mile, capital stock at

par, the intention being to give your

company the option to dispose of

part or all of said bonds to other

parties at a price at which

they can be sold, and will be re-

quired to execute bond

holders to the amount of the

amount of the bonds so sold.

Very respectfully yours,

A. V. TOWNEs.

One thing, it seems to us, should

be guarded in negotiating with

the L. & N. about our Cadiz extension.

We should not only get a guarantee

of equitable rates over the

L. & N. and our own extension, but we

should obtain a satisfactory assur-

ance that the out-going rates would

be put at the same scale as

SOCIALITIES.

Mr. G. S. Brown is visiting relatives in Graves county.

Hon. Charles K. Wheeler, of Paducah, is in the city.

W. H. Foard, of Madisonville, was in the city Thursday.

Mrs. W. H. Olvey is visiting friends in Louisville.

Mrs. Sue Hewitt has returned to her home in Princeton.

Jo. Snell is off on a short visit and will return in a few days.

Mr. W. A. White, of Macedonia, was in the city Wednesday.

Miss Jennie Glass, of Owensboro, is visiting friends in the city.

Henry Blumenstiel and W. H. Lee were in Evansville yesterday.

A. L. Major, of Paducah, spent several days of this week in Christiana.

Mr. Chas. Beacham, of Paducah, is visiting his aunt, Mrs. S. G. Buckner.

W. J. Berg, the "end man" of the C. & O., spent Thursday in the city.

Rev. E. W. Bottomly, of Henderson, was in the city several days this week.

Rev. George Campbell, of Henderson county, has been in the city this week.

Miss Joe Sivley has returned home after an extended visit to Bell's Depot, Tenn.

Geo. Pike, of the Cadiz Telephone, was interviewing our business men, Wednesday.

Mr. W. C. Comstock, proprietor of the Mammoth Cave Hotel, was in the city Thursday.

Miss Flora Trice was called to Clarksville Wednesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Morris Clark.

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W. Hollis, of Pembroke, is attending the State Association of Funeral Undertakers at Louisville this week. Mr. Hollis is considered the best embalmer in this part of the State and we predict for him a high place in his profession.

The Common Pleas Court has been occupied with the railroad cases this week. Charlie Bush occupied the bench during one of the trials *otum cum dignitate*, but this, they say, does not account for his exceedingly bland expression of countenance.

The L. & N. will sell round trip tickets to the Nashville drill May 21st 26th inclusive, good until 28th, for \$2.65 with an admission ticket attached. A number of Hopkinsville people will go over to see our boys drill.

George Murphy and Miss Maggie Layne, daughter of J. B. Layne, were united in marriage at the residence of the bride's father, near Fairview, yesterday at 3 o'clock P. M. Rev. J. W. Bigham officiated.

Mrs. John Willis returned to her home in the south part of the county from Dawson yesterday in a very critical condition. A physician was summoned and her death may occur at any time.

The commencement sermon of Bethel Female College will be preached Sunday week, the closing exercises occurring the week following. Maj. J. O. Ferrel's school closes June 1st.

Mr. Jno. R. Nugent has been induced to return to his former position as clerk at Mammoth Cave Hotel and will be ready at all times to give his friends a warm welcome.

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The new grocery store of John W. Richards, cor. 9th, and Virginia St., has been doing a good business since opened and trade is increasing every day, and Mr. Richards has the happy assurance of controlling one of the largest grocery trades in the city. His goods are new, fresh and reliable, and his customers are assured that he proposes conducting business upon the broad principles of honorable dealing and pure goods. Mr. Richards has secured the services of Mr. Robert Cook (formerly with Chas. McKee & Co.), who is one of the best salesmen and cleverest young men in the city, to assist him and those who visit the store can do so with a certainty of being cleverly treated by both gentlemen whether they wish to buy or not.

Ever since the Latham Light Guards, of Hopkinsville, have been contemplating a trip to the big drill at Nashville, Capt. Gray Lewis, of that company, has been urging Mr. Sol Cain, of this city, to accompany them as Quartermaster Sergeant. Captain Lewis was here Sunday to see Sol, and on yesterday a telegram was sent to Hopkinsville stating that he would accept. Sol has no equal as a "hustler," and the Latham Guards, recognizing the fact, determined to secure the prince of Quartermaster Sergeants. It is needless to say that the company will be well cared for. Success to the L. L. G. is our wish—Bowling Green Times.

The concert by the young people of the M. E. Church and Miss Lillian Leavell's music class will be given at the Methodist Church, on 22nd inst. Admission 25 cents for adults, 10 cents for children.

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The cave out at the gas well is becoming the talk of the town. Its entrance is in the old rock quarry near the well and is large enough to easily admit two persons at a time. It has already been explored a distance of half a mile and report has it that it is full of glittering pendulous stalactites, and limestone and billowy stalagmites. Further investigation will be made in a few days.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. J. W. I. Smith, who served as the railroad agent here so long and so faithfully, has been stricken down with paralysis in his home in Chicago. Mr. Smith has a host of friends here who sympathize with him deeply in his affliction and who will be rejoiced when he will again be permitted to assume the active duties of life.

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